

Amendments to the Specification:

In the English translation document, please delete the term --Description-- at page 1 line 1 before the title.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading and paragraph at page 1 line 6, after the title, as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the US National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2005/051154, filed March 15, 2005 and claims the benefit thereof. The International Application claims the benefits of German application No. 102004015240.3 DE filed March 29, 2004, both of the applications are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 6, after the newly added CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section, as follows:

--FIELD OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 12, as follows:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 2 line 14, as follows:

--SUMMARY OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 2 lines 14-15, as follows:

~~The~~ An object of the present invention is therefore to make it easier to reconfigure a modular machine.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 4 line 19, as follows:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 4 lines 19-21, as follows:

The present invention will now be explained in greater detail with reference to the sole accompanying drawing which schematically illustrates the communications topology of a modular machine.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 4 line 23, as follows:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF INVENTION--